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7O, YEMEN. Zoli, HA5PP, reports that he will be going to **Sana'a June 1st**, with the help and support of K4TKM and the NCDXF. Before he travels to Yemen, he will be in **Cairo, Egypt** for **3 days** beginning **May 29th**, and he will be active in the **CQWW WPX Contest** as **SU0ERA** on 20 meters. Zoli states he will be in **Sana'a** for **a month or so**. He hopes to get the callsigns **7O/HA5PP** or **7O8DX/CW**. Also, he will try to get a stamp (CFM) on the copy of his **7O1A** license while there. He then hopes that the 7O1A QSLs will then be good for DXCC. QSL via HA5YPP, P.O. Box 1157, Budapest 1245, Hungary.

9N, NEPAL. Charlie, K4VUD, will once again be active as **9N1UD**. He states that he will arrive in Nepal on **July 7th**, and plans to stay **until the middle of November, 1998**. Charlie will participate in the **IARU HF World Championship Contest** (formerly called RadioSport) **July 11th**. Outside of the contest, he will be on the air at his local sunset and local sunrise every day, possibly for the whole visit. He suggests looking for him on the following frequencies: 14023, 14195 and 14215 kHz. Also, he will try the following: 21023, 21295, 7023, 7065 (listening 7200 or another frequency), 3799 and the 160 meters DX window. If 9N1AA and Charlie can get the RTTY gear assembled, they will try RTTY on the usual frequencies. If there are any 10 meters openings, check 28490 kHz. He will be traveling into Tibet/China and into Bhutan (Charlie does not know about operations from these place, but it looks like a weak possibility).

A25, BOTSWANA. Dave, ZS6RVG, and Dick, ZS6CAL, will be active as **A25/ZS6PDX** from **June 11-17th**. They will be working mainly RTTY and SSTV looking to work JA, but as with their 7P8 trip in January they will also work SSB and CW. Their station will be a ICOM IC-756 with a TH3 jr. on a home made 10 Meter mast (using only a 100 watts), TNC will be a AEA PK232-MBX. Their software on a Pentium lap top for RTTY will be "RTTY by WF1B", for SSTV it will be "GSHPC 2.3" and for logging "SWISSLOG".

AZ4, ARGENTINA. Operators LW1EXU, LU2AYB, LU2DPW, LU3FP, LW4DYI, LU4FD, LU4FPZ, LU5ER, LU5FAO, LU5FC, LU5FF, LU5MM, LU6KK, LU7DW, LW8EXF and

others are making arrangements for participating in the **CQWW WPX CW Contest** from the club radio station LU4FM (RADIO CLUB ROSARIO) as a MULTI/MULTI effort. They will be using the special callsign **AZ4F**. QSL via LU3FP, Hernan Baez, Gorriti 462, 2000 Rosario, Argentina.

COULD YOU HAVE WON A PRIZE AT THE DAYTON HAMVENTION? Did you leave early? Many hourly door prizes were unclaimed this year and the tickets were redrawn before the main door prizes. Some of these prizes included: antennas, 100 Alinco HTs and prizes range from \$300 to \$800. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin from NODXA member John, K8YSE, which contains the list of Dayton Tickets that were called, but the ticket holders were a "NO SHOW". "This is one time we hope you did not make the list!"

CP6, BOLIVIA. Mats, LU9AUY, will be signing **CP6/LU9AUY** from **May 27th to June 3rd**, and will be signing **CP6AA** during the **CQWW WPX CW Contest**. He states he will try to be on as much as he can on CW and SSB. QSL is "OK" via the homecall for the CP6/LU9AUY, but the QSLs for the CP6AA operation have not been decided as of yet.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Fernando, EA3KU, will be active from **Gran Canarias Island** from **May 28th to June 2nd**. He will be using the **EA8ZS** as the callsigns and will be active in the **CQWW WPX CW Contest** as Single OP/ Multiband.

HS, THAILAND. The 59(9) DXReport states Yoh, 7L1MFS, will be active **June 11-13th** as **HS0/7L1MFS** from **Samet Island**. Operations will be CW/SSB on 40-10 meters.

JU1, MONGOLIA (Update). Members of the Hungarian Pannon DX Club will operate from **Ulan-bator** between **May 18th and June 2nd**, using the callsign **JU1HA**. The team includes HA0HW, HA1AG, HA4GDO, HA4XG, HA6NL, HA7SK and HA7VK. They planned to keep 2-3 stations simultaneously on the air 24 hours a day to maximize band openings. All HF bands will be activated on SSB, CW, RTTY and SAT. The DXpedition is supported by Yaesu; the Ambassador of Hungary to Mongolia, Mr. Burt Scott N0FYR on behalf of Communication Concepts; Mr. Garry Shapiro NI6T, Mr. Miklos Olah HA5UX, Mr. Zoli Szoke HA5PP, Mr. Istvan Bogyo HA0DU, the Hungarian Radioamateur Society, the German DX Foundation, Rohde & Schwartz Budapest and the "Radiotechnika" magazine. The DXpedition team includes experienced DX operators. The members of the expedition already have operated from Cambodia (XU0HW, XU95HA, XU7VK), Iraq (YI9SK, YI9VK), Albania (ZA1HA), Liechtenstein (HB0/HA0HW/p, HB0/HA4GDO/p, HB0/HA6NL/p etc), ITU Geneva (4U0ITU) and numerous Greek islands including SV5, SV8 and SV9. The plan suggested frequencies are:

- **160m:** 1821 (JA-TX QRG), 1824.5 and 1841
- **80m:** 3507 and 3799
- **40m:** 7007, 7026, 7042, 7047, 7052 and 7057
- **30m:** 10103
- **20m:** 14011, 14026, 14081 (RTTY), 14191 and 14247
- **17m:** 18071 and 18141
- **15m:** 21011, 21026, 21081 (RTTY) and 21291
- **12m:** 24891 and 24941
- **10m:** 28011, 28026, 28081 (RTTY) and 28491 kHz

The license that they received doesn't include 6 meters. The QSL manager is Laci, HA0HW.

His address is: Laszlo Szabo, P.O.Box 24, H-4151 Puspokladany, Hungary, Europe. The DXpedition has a WEB homepage at: <http://www.dunanet.hu/pannondxc/>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Alan, VK4AAR, has informed OPDX that Dan Holloway, **VK8AN**, has been unable to contact his QSL manager, VK4FW, Bill Horner. This has, no doubt, got some connection with the announcement Bill has apparently put out in which he stated that he is undergoing serious personal problems. Dan has asked Alan to help pick up the pieces in handling all Dan's cards. Alan states he has access to all Dan's earlier logs, and can also confirm "old" contacts. So, if your QSL request has gotten lost, you can re-QSL to Alan. He has the cards for VK8AN and VK8AN/6 (Troughton Island, OC-154). Alan mentions that there is no sponsorship involved, and he is paying all the bills himself ...so, DIRECT QSLs only with return postage, please to: Alan Roocroft, VK4AAR, c/o Post Office, Dalveen QLD 4374, Australia. His E-mail address is: almee@halenet.com.au ADDED NOTE: Alan also mentions that some people have been sending QSLs via the bureau to him for VI0ANARE (Victor Italy Zero Alpha November Alpha Romeo Echo). THEY MUST QSL FOR THIS CALL TO "VK4ARB" VIA THE BUREAU.....** NOT VK4AAR **.
- Steven, **FE11DX** (Fox Echo Eleven Dx), FE11DX, states he would like to become a QSL Manager for a DX XYL/YL station, who is very active on the LF bands. He mentions that he has plenty of time to take care of business. Steven can be reached at: Steven Box 4, 28111 Luce Cedex, France. His E-mail address is: fe11dx@wanadoo.fr
- **C21NI INFO.** Jack, VK2GJH, who was active in the Pacific as T30JH, C21JH, V63JH,... etc., has been getting many QSL cards (mostly from overseas) for C21NI. C21NI used to be the callsign of the Nauruan Amateur Radio Club which is now defunct. Jack operated from C21NI until about November 1991, and he is happy to QSL the contacts before that date, and also QSOs made with his own callsign C21JH since that date. However, he is unable to QSL C21NI contacts after November, 1991, and will return the cards if reply postage was included. Jack is not a member of the Bureau and all QSLs should be sent direct to: Jack D. Haden, P.O. Box 299, Ryde, NSW, 2112, Australia.

RARE IOTA. A team of 8 operators (CT1CJJ, CT1EEB, CT1EEN, CT1END, CT1ENQ, CT1ETZ.... the 7th and the 8th operator will be announced at a later date) will be active between **July 24th and the 27th** from **Pessegueiro Island IOTA EU-167**. All licenses and permits to operate on the Island are in hand, "INCLUDING THE VERY DIFFICULT PERMIT TO STAY OVERNIGHT". They state that usually spending the night on Pessegueiro is not allowed by the authorities, so, any operation taking place during the night without this permit cannot be credited for IOTA by the new rules of creditation. There will be two kilowatt stations, beams and special antennas for 80/40 meters. Their main goal is giving this IOTA reference to those areas of the world where EU-167 is a most-wanted IOTA. Therefore the Team will concentrate on working North America, Asia and Oceania. During the **IOTA Contest**, a Multi effort will be made with the call **CQ2P**. The authorities stated that future visits (daylight visits) to Pessegueiro will be restricted and only with the presence of an official guide because of the Islands Archeologic and Biologic presence. QSL each callsign/portable via the home callsigns. QSL CQ2P via CT1EEN.

SPECIAL EVENT STATION. Station **W3FY**, Amateur Radio League of Lawrence County in New Castle, PA, will be active from the **Vietnam Veterans Memorial** ("The Moving Wall"). Operations will take place daily from **July 12-18th**, between 1300-2100z, on 28350, 14250 and 7250 kHz.

SPECIAL EVENT STATION. From **July 1-5th**, between 1400-1800z (a possibility of extended hours), special event station **W7A** will be commemorating the Grand Opening of the **Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center** in **Great Falls, Montana**. The re-enactment of the Lewis & Clark Expedition Portage around the Great Falls of the Missouri will also take place during this time frame. Activity will be on CW/SSB with operations on 80-10 meters (possibly 6 meters). QSL information as follows: "We will be printing a "rustic" looking certificate to confirm contacts with the operation. We are requesting \$3.00, to cover printing & mailing costs. Certificates will be mailed "flat" in a large envelope. You will also receive a QSL card with your certificate containing contact information in a format for awards etc.. We will also have a QSL card available for a SASE and your QSL card. QSL ADDRESS: W7A, C/O BOB, KQ7K, PO BOX 221, BLACK EAGLE, MT 59414-0221 USA. For more information, contact Bob Avritt KQ7K, W7A Trustee. His E-mail address is: KQ7K@qsl.net -or- W7A@qsl.net -or- ICQ#6767824. Also, check out the WEB page: <http://www.qsl.net/w7a/>

TX8, NEW CALEDONIA. Franck, FK8HC, reports to OPDX that he will be active in the **1998 CQWW WPX CW Contest** using the special callsign **TX8A**. He plans to be operating on 160-10 meters as a single operator. A beautiful color QSL card will be printed for this special call. QSL via FK8HC: Franck Petitjean, P.O. Box 7636 Ducos, 98801 Noumea Cedex, NEW-CALEDONIA.

V31, BELIZE. Stan/W5JYK, Wondy/K5KR and Mike/W5ZPA will be active from **August 26-30th**, as **V31YK**, **V31KR** and **V31MP**, respectively. They will operate from **Ambergris Caye (IOTA NA-73)**. They will operate CW, SSB, and RTTY on 80-10 meters. QSL to each operators home call.

VM4AA, NOT A PIRATE. If you have worked "Macka" VM4AA from Queensland, Australia, he was Not a pirate. The holder of this unique callsign, the **ONLY** one amateur callsign in Australia with an VM prefix, is a retired **Royal Australian Air Force Squadron Leader** (AFC,AFM,AE), who is now 87 years old. Macka was first licensed in 1932 as VK3FX. The special callsign VM4AAA was awarded to him in 1983 by the then-Minister of Communications of Australia in recognition of extended participation in amateur service. The callsign VM4AAA in 1997 was modified to VM4AA. Keith McCarty known by his amateur name as "Macka" is not often on the bands, but from time to time he can be found around 14020 kHz or near using his only mode of activity - CW.

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